WEDNESDAY, NOV. 23

COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP DINNER SET-UP PARTY, 1-4 p.m., Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave. Volunteers needed to help with preparation. (541-303-5886).

THURSDAY, NOV. 24

CLUB 24 TURKEY TROT, 7 a.m. check-in and race-day registration; 9 a.m. races begin, Sno Road Winery, 111 W. Main St., Echo. Fun 1-mile kids' run or 5K run/walk for all ages. Costumes encouraged. Costs $15 for adults, $10 for ages 6-16, free for 5 and under. Benefits Pendleton and Hermiston warming stations. (www.eventbrite.com/e/club-24-turkey-trot-2016-tickets-26664574460)

COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP DINNER, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave. Free traditional Thanksgiving meal features turkey and all the fixings. For meal delivery or a ride, call 541-567-3013 through Wednesday. On Thanksgiving, call the senior center at 541-567-3582.

THANKSGIVING MEAL, noon to 2 p.m., The Salvation Army, 150 S.E. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton. Free meal for everyone; delivery available for seniors and disabled citizens. (541-276-3369).

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER, 1 p.m., All Saints Episcopal Church, 460 N. Gale St., Heppner. Free meal for the community. People may bring a favorite dish to share, but it's not required (Rev. Tony Long-Drew at 541-676-5581).

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION, 1:30 p.m., praise service; 2-4 p.m., free traditional turkey dinner served, Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St. (Jane Akers 541-481-5511; Teresa Parsons 503-724-8823; senior center, 541-481-3257).

SATURDAY, NOV. 26

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA, 8-10:30 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave. Pancake breakfast, crafts, helium balloon, Santa's mailbox and photos with Santa. Costs $3. (541-276-8100).

HOLIDAY BAZAAR, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wildhorse Resort & Casino, 46510 Wildhorse Blvd., Pendleton.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 30

TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY, 6 p.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St. Includes singing, live entertainment, refreshments and a visit from Santa. (541-481-3014).

THURSDAY, DEC. 1

WINTER FESTIVAL TREE LIGHTING, 5:30 p.m., Second and Main streets, Hermiston. Features light show, live entertainment, downtown shopping, food vendors and holiday fun. (For information or to be a vendor, call 541-667-5018).

HEPPNER PARADE OF LIGHTS, 5:30 p.m., downtown Heppner. Line-up at 5 p.m. at Green Feed. Merchant Open House features downtown businesses before and after the parade. (541-676-5536).

FRIDAY, DEC. 2

JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM, 5-8:30 p.m., Hermiston Seventh-day Adventist Church, 855 W. Highland Ave. Experience life in Bethlehem village, including live actors and animals. Refreshments served. (541-567-9000).

PENDLETON FESTIVAL OF TREES CELEBRATION AND AUCTION, 6 p.m., Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate. Dinner followed by auction of decorated trees and baskets. Tickets are $30. (www.sahpendleton.org)

HERMISTON COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints chapel, 850 S.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Local musicians and vocalists, including the Hermiston Community Choir, Dallin Puzey and others. Free. (Courtney Tiemann 801-635-8415).

HOLIDAY BARREL TASTING, various hours and venues in Milton-Freewater and the Walla Walla Valley wineries and tasting rooms. Celebrating the holiday season in unique ways, offering food, art, music and more. (www.wallawallawine.com/holiday-barrel-tasting).

SATURDAY, DEC. 3

RETIRED EDUCATORS HOLIDAY BAZAAR, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Roosters Restaurant, 1515 Southgate. Raffle items, crafts, food for sale and more.

ARTIFACTORY, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 525 Gale St., Heppner. Holiday bazaar to benefit Heppner Day Care (For vendor information, call 541-676-5429).

PENDLETON FESTIVAL OF TREES FAMILY DAY, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate. View decorated trees, pictures with Santa, enjoy family games and refreshments. Free. (www.sahpendleton.org)

ECHO TOY RUN, 12 noon, downtown Echo. Motorcyclists are encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy and ride to Good Shepherd Medical Center to deliver gifts. Cars and trucks also welcome. (Al Sells 541-571-1820).

SANTA ARRIVES BY LIFEFLIGHT, 10 a.m., McNary Fire Station, 305 Willamette St., Umatilla. Santa Claus will fly to the Umatilla Volunteer Firefighter Association Christmas Tree Lot. The lot sells trees, offers pictures with Santa (Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. for $5) and craft sales .(541-922-2770)

JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM, 5-8:30 p.m., Hermiston Seventh-day Adventist Church, 855 W. Highland Ave. Experience life in Bethlehem village, including live actors and animals. Refreshments served. (541-567-9000).

HERMISTON FESTIVAL OF TREES GALA AND AUCTION, 6 p.m., Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Highway 395. Dinner and tree viewing followed by live and silent auctions. Tickets are $35. (www.facebook.com/hermistonfestivaloftrees).

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Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Santa Claus greets children from the warmth of the Athena Public Library in December 2015 as freezing fog blankets the area outside.

SUNDAY, DEC. 4

HERMISTON FESTIVAL OF TREES FAMILY DAY, 12 noon, Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Highway 395. Tree viewing and family games, refreshments. Suggested donation of $5 per family. (www.facebook.com/hermistonfestivaloftrees)

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SATURDAY, DEC. 10

HOLIDAY BAZAAR, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. Mary's Catholic Church, 800 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton. Brunch, lunch and desserts available for purchase, raffles and more. $1 admission includes one raffle ticket. (541-276-2751).

DOWNTOWN HERMISTON CHRISTMAS BAZAAR, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Grace and Mercy Lutheran Church, 164 E. Main St., Hermiston. Craft vendors and hourly door prize drawings. (moon_stars49@yahoo.com).

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St. Enjoy breakfast, a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Santa, crafts and activities, and horse-drawn wagon rides. (541-481-3257).

THE ARC CHRISTMAS PARTY, 2-4 p.m., The Arc Umatilla County, 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. Enjoy refreshments, bingo, caroling, crafts and a visit from Santa. To participate in gift exchange, bring a wrapped present, $5 limit. (541-567-7615).

OLD FASHIONED HOLIDAY STROLL, 3-7 p.m., downtown Pendleton. Celebrate holiday season admiring window displays, drinking hot cocoa and listening to holiday carols performed by local groups. Also, specials and discounts at many local shops and venues.

SUNDAY, DEC. 11

WREATHS OF REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY, 1 p.m., Olney Cemetery, 685 Tutuilla Road, Pendleton. Griswold High School students place wreaths on graves of Umatilla County veterans, followed by a ceremony led by Lorin Kubishta. (Lorin 541-457-2175).

HOLIDAY MUSIC FESTIVAL, 3:15 p.m., Vert Auditorium, 480 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Oregon East Symphony presents the annual holiday concert, which also features other community groups, including Sisters in Song and The Pendleton Big Band. Tickets are $20 for adults, $15 for students or $45 for a family. (www.oregoneastsymphony.org, 541-276-0320).

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE, 1-4 p.m., Crow's Shadow Institute of the Arts, 48004 St. Andrews Road, Mission.

THURSDAY, DEC. 15

N. MAIN MAGIC CRAWL, 5-8 p.m., North Main Street, Milton-Freewater. A night of shopping, wine and beer tasting, art & craft vendors, fun and more. (www.facebook.com/events/1844875265754583).

CELEBRATE HEPPNER CHRISTMAS, 6 p.m., Morrow County Fairgrounds, 74473 Highway 74, Heppner. Catered meal, drawing for rewards cards, photos with Santa. Additional information TBA. (541-676-5563).

FRIDAY, DEC. 16

"HANDEL'S MESSIAH," 7 p.m., Echo Community Center, 20 S. Bonanza. Combined symphony and chorale concert featuring Inland Northwest Musicians ensembles. Free admission, but reservations are highly recommended. (541-289-4696, inwm@machmedia.net).

SATURDAY, DEC. 17

PANCAKES WITH SANTA, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Highway 395. Breakfast, photos with Santa and holiday story shared by library staff. Tickets ($8, child; $10, adults; $30 family of 4) must be purchased in advance. (541-667-5018).

"HANDEL'S MESSIAH," 4 p.m., Echo Community Center, 20 S. Bonanza. Combined symphony and chorale concert featuring Inland Northwest Musicians ensembles. Free admission, but reservations are highly recommended. (541-289-4696, inwm@machmedia.net).

SUNDAY, DEC. 18

"HANDEL'S MESSIAH," 4 p.m., Connell High School, 1100 W. Clark Road, Connell, WA. Combined symphony and chorale concert featuring Inland Northwest Musicians ensembles. (541-289-4696, inwm@machmedia.net).

SATURDAY, DEC. 24

BMCC CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER, 4-6 p.m., Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate. In its 46th year, the Blue Mountain Community College student government will host the free community dinner at a new venue (541-278-5774).

SUNDAY, DEC. 25

COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP DINNER, 1-4 p.m., Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave. Free traditional Christmas meal features ham (and limited turkey) and all the fixings. For meal delivery or a ride, call 541-567-3013 through Friday, Dec. 23. On Christmas, call the senior center at 541-567-3582. (To volunteer, call 541-303-5886).

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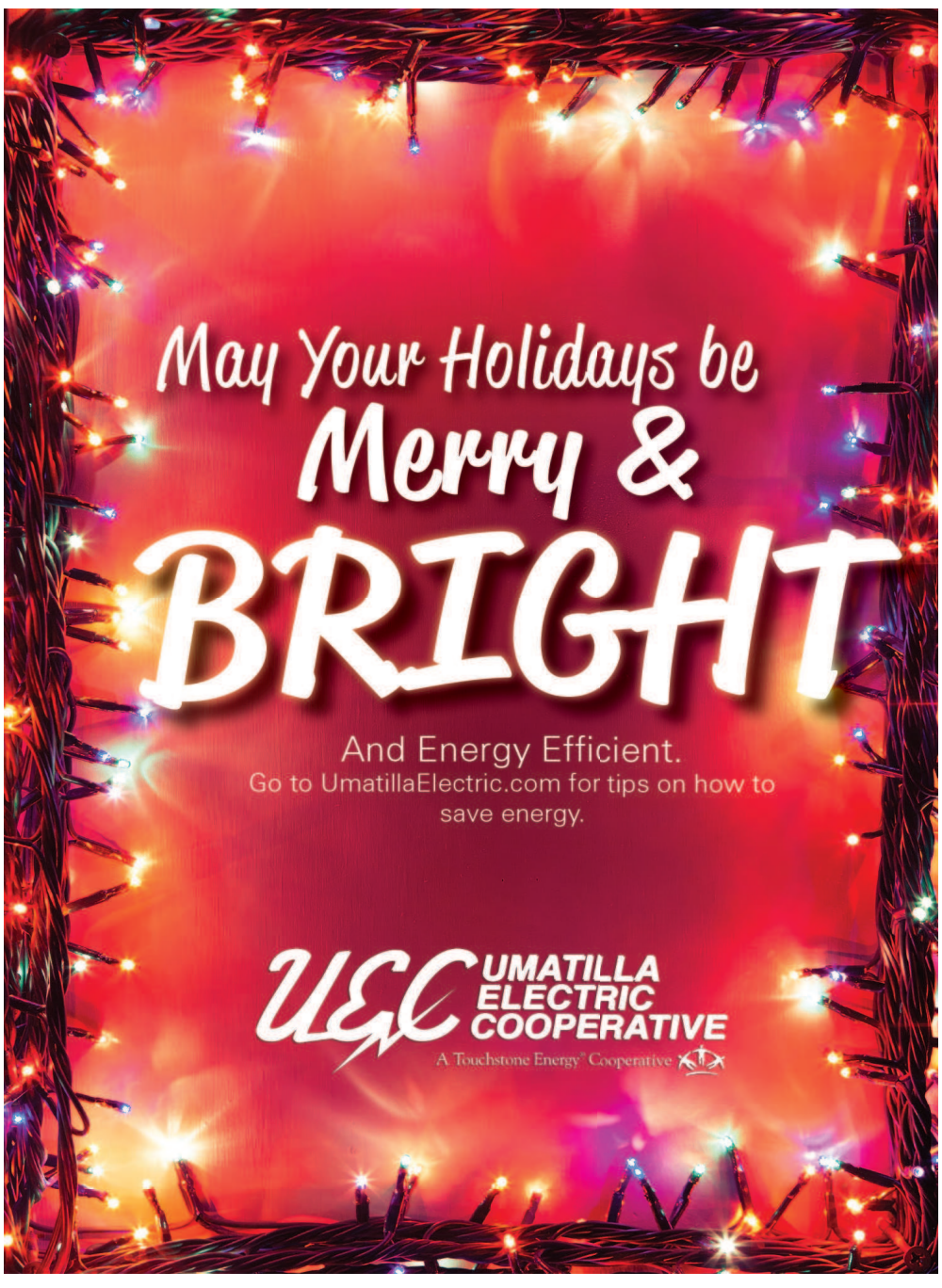
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